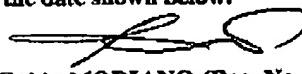


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In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

Please replace the abstract with the following amended abstract: